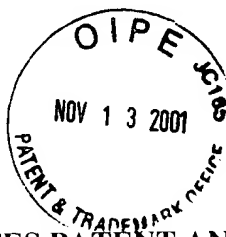


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**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

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A three-month extension of time is requested until November 14, 2001 and hereby filed concurrently with a Response to Notice to File Missing Parts. A check in the amount of \$460.00 is enclosed. Applicant's representative attests that the inventors and their assignee are small entities.

No other fees are believed due at this time, however, please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayments to deposit account number 10-0435 with reference to our attorney docket number (21459/90913).

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